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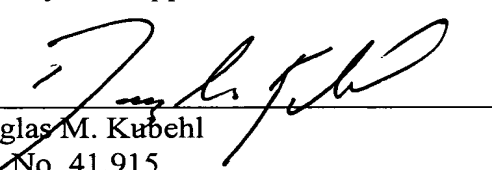
Early and favorable acceptance of this application is respectfully requested.

Applicants believe no fee is due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this application in any manner, the undersigned attorney for Applicants stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is related to Application Serial Number 09/746,850, entitled "*Apparatus and Method for High Speed Optical Signal Processing*," filed on December 22, 2000; to Application Serial Number 09/746,125, entitled "*Apparatus and Method for Controlling Polarization of an Optical Signal*," filed on December 22, 2000; and to Application Serial Number 09/746,813, entitled "*Apparatus and Method for Providing Gain Equalization*," filed on December 22, 2000. These applications are commonly assigned to Celeste Optics, Inc.